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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE FORCE MODERNIZATION; NATO PUBLIC STATEMENT

REF: (A) STATE 070842 (DTG 310053Z MAR 77); (B) USNATO 1902 (DTG 011805Z APR 77)

1. FRG DEFENSE ADVISOR SCHUENEMANN TOLD US APRIL 13 THAT BONN FULLY SUBSCRIBES TO THE IDEA OF A NATO PUBLIC STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR PORTUGUESE ARMED FORCES MODERNIZATION (PARA 6, REF A). THE FRG SUGGESTS THAT A SOMEWHAT STRONGER STATEMENT THAN THE ONE WE CIRCULATED AT THE MARCH 31 MEETING OF THE AD HOC GROUP BE MADE A PART OF THE DPC MINISTERIAL COMMUNIQUE. SPECIFICALLY, THE FRG FAVORS EXPLICIT MENTION OF THE PORTUGUESE NATO BRIGADE.

2. WE AGREE WITH BONN'S IDEAS, ANDPROPOSE TO COORDINATE WITH FRG DELEGATION AND IS TO INSERT APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE IN FIRST DRAFT OF DPC MINISTERIAL COMMUNQIUE. WE WILL REPORT ADDITIONAL ALLIED CONFIDENTIAL

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